

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1 - 12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A sieve comprising:

a frame; and

a plurality of identical screen assemblies removably  
mounted in the frame and each having

a generally horizontal screen,

an annular frame surrounding the screen,

connected to outer edges of the screen,

and projecting downward past the screen;

an elongated and longitudinally tensioned

element having opposite ends anchored in

the frame at respective opposite edges

thereof and extending generally

horizontally underneath the screen, and

a beater on the elongated element between the

opposite ends thereof and underneath the

screen, the beater being engageable with a

lower face of the respective screen for

freeing particles from openings in the

screen.

1                   14. (previously presented) The sieve defined in claim  
2   13 wherein the ends of the element are removably secured in the  
3   frame.

1                   15. (previously presented) The sieve defined in claim 13  
2   wherein the beaters are balls.

1                   16. (previously presented) The sieve defined in claim 13  
2   wherein the element is a cable.

1                   17. (previously presented) The sieve defined in claim 13  
2   wherein the element is a belt.

1                   18. (previously presented) The sieve defined in claim 13  
2   wherein the frame and screen are unitarily formed of plastic.